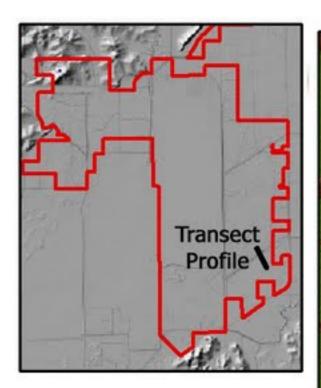
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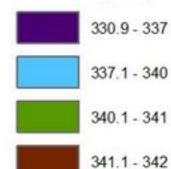
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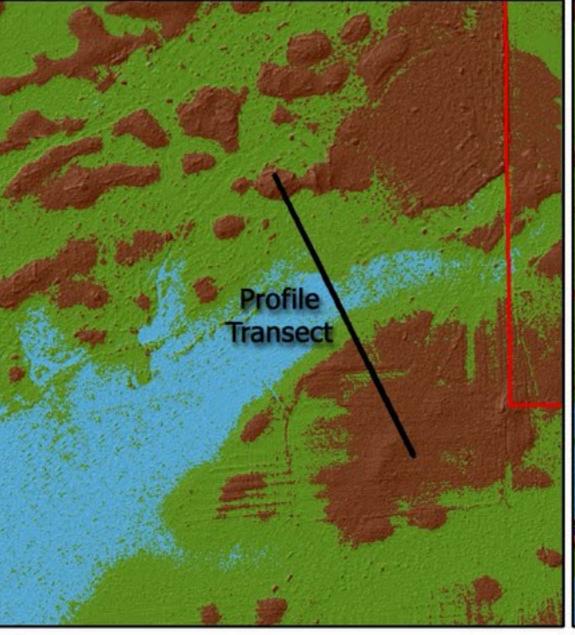
Topography After 1950: LRDD Ditches along with MDC Roads and Boat-lanes

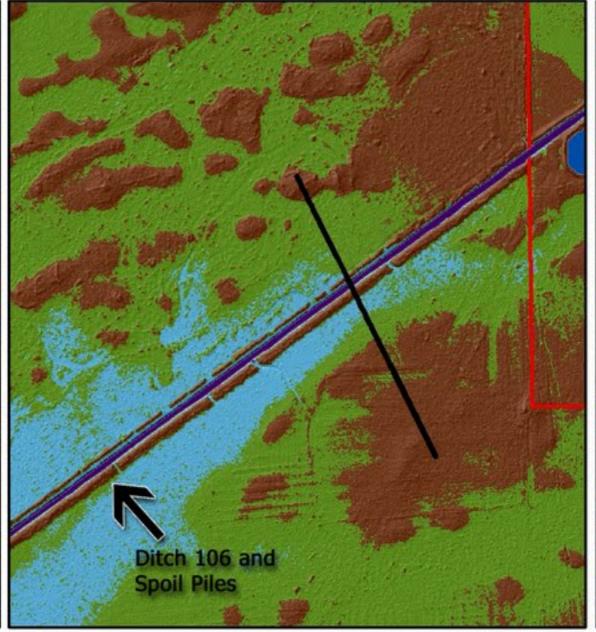


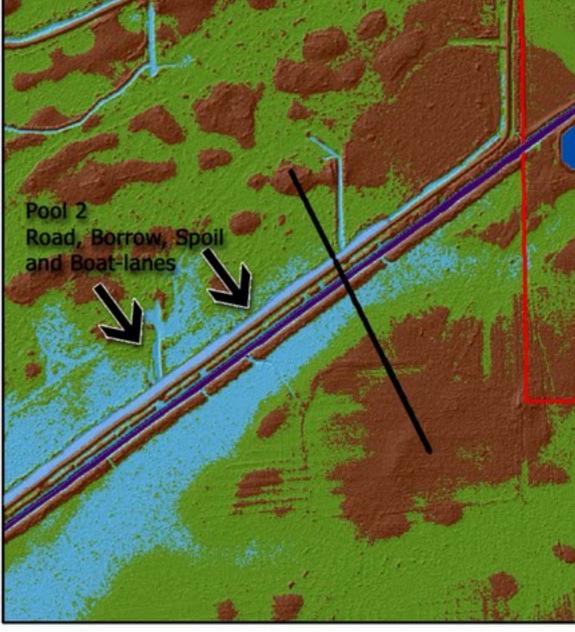
Drainage Ditch Profile Map

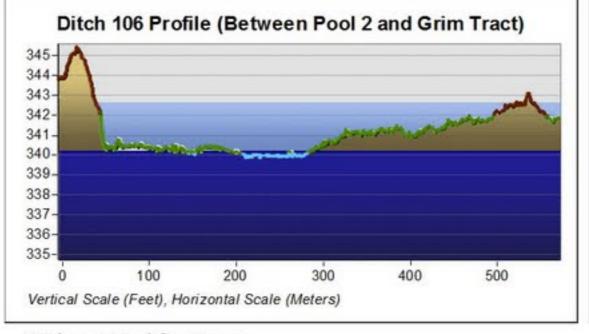


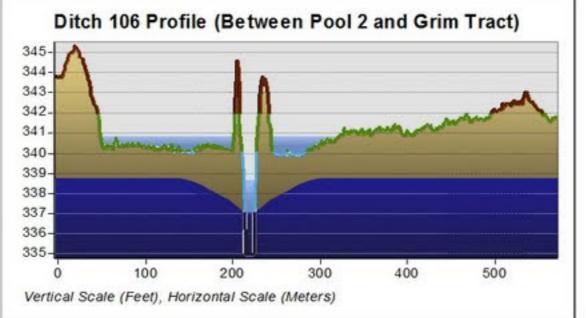


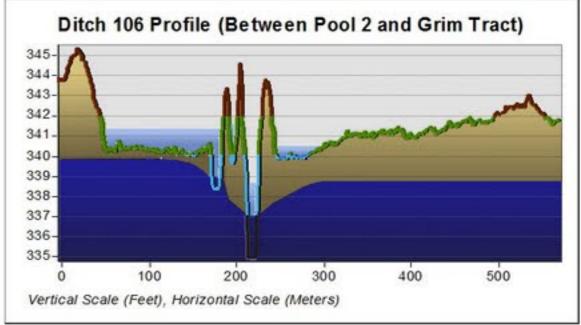












Without Modifications:

- Lowest landscape position remained wet
- · Poorly drained, water table close to surface
- Precipitation would collect at low elevations and spread out to higher elevations

With Ditch and Spoil Piles:

- · Ditch cuts across lowest elevation,
- Water table was lowered, which also had lateral effects drying surrounding area
- Precipitation was diverted by the ditch or blocked by the spoil pile

With Ditch, Roads, Borrow, Spoil Piles, and Boat-lanes:

- Ditch cuts across lowest elevation,
- Water table is lowered by ditch, which also has lateral effects drying surrounding area
- Water held in pool or borrows partially raises the immediate water table
- Precipitation is diverted by the ditch or blocked by the spoil pile and the road